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## ASK THIRD RESPITE FOR BEN GILBERT

Supreme Court Cannot Decide Case Before Date Set for Execution—Attack Electric Chair.

That Governor Swanson will be asked to grant a third stay of sentence to Ben Gilbert, the Norfolk youth who is awaiting death in the electric chair at the State penitentiary for the murder of his sweetheart, now seems certain. The papers in Gilbert's case were received by the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia yesterday morning, and it will be practically impossible for the court to prepare the record, which contains 300 pages of typewritten pages, before the execution and hand down an opinion before March 19, the date now set for Gilbert's execution.

According to dispatches sent out from Norfolk yesterday, Attorney Daniel Coleman, counsel for Gilbert, has now raised the question of the constitutionality of the act of the Legislature creating the electric chair as the means of executing criminals in Virginia.

This question will have to be decided by the Supreme Court before the case is finally settled, and even though the court refuses the writ for a new trial and decides that the act providing for execution by electricity is legal, it will be several months before the execution will take place.

Gilbert was originally sentenced to die on January 9, but the Governor granted a stay of sentence to February 18 to allow Attorney Coleman time to prepare the record of the case and appeal to the Supreme Court for a writ of error. The record had not been completed by that time, and the Governor granted a second respite.

## BYRD LAW STANDS

Supreme Court Refuses Writ of Habeas Corpus to Man Who Violated Section.

Charles Shannon, who is serving a term in the Giles County Jail for violating the section of the Byrd liquor law relating to the sale of malt beverages, was denied a writ of habeas corpus yesterday by the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia. Shannon was arrested, tried and convicted for selling malt liquors in smaller quantities than allowed by law, and for not having the name and address of the manufacturers and the words "malt beverage" blown in the bottles.

After Shannon was remanded to jail his counsel sought a writ of habeas corpus, directing that the sheriff of the county, J. H. Durham, produce the prisoner in court on the ground that he was unlawfully detained. Counsel explained that it appeared the case directed to the Supreme Court, so that the matter could be settled without the delay of a hearing in the lower court.

## DIED AT WORK

Bricklayer at High School Building Drops Dead—Work Suspended.

While working as a bricklayer on the new High School Building yesterday morning, Edmund Wyatt, of Norfolk, died suddenly of heart failure. An almost entire suspension of building operations followed, many of his fellow-workmen being unwilling to continue on the job during the day.

Mr. Wyatt, who had a wife and several children living on May Avenue, Norfolk, came to Richmond only about a week ago to work as a bricklayer. His end came without warning, as he was talking to companions just a moment before he died. Coroner Taylor viewed the remains and decided that an inquest was not necessary. President Butler, of the Bricklayers' Union of this city, had the body taken in charge and prepared for shipment to Norfolk.

## ESTATE OF MR. BAUGHMAN

Dr. Greer Baughman Qualified as Executor to Chancery Court.

Dr. Greer Baughman qualified yesterday in the Chancery Court as executor of the estate of Charles C. Baughman. The estate is valued at \$20,000. Dr. Baughman also qualified as administrator of the estate of Mrs. William H. Baughman. The estate is valued at \$5,000.

Mrs. Jane H. Hughes qualified as executrix of the estate of Stephen B. Hughes. The estate is valued at \$1,000.

Mrs. Annie G. Jackson qualified as administrator of the estate of Sallie N. Frayer. The estate is valued at \$6,250.

C. W. Throckmorton qualified as guardian of James E. Butzner.

## CASTORIA

Do Kind You Have Always Bought

Signature of J. C. Atkinson

## HOLD CHAVIS ON SERIOUS CHARGE

Negro Who Attempted to Rob Young Woman Must Answer for Other Crimes.

Coldly indifferent to the fact that there is a charge pending against him which may send him to the electric chair, George Chavis, colored, smiled in Police Court yesterday morning when Justice Crutchfield imposed a fine of \$100, and required security for twelve months for his good behavior on conclusive proof that he, at the time of his arrest, carried a concealed weapon.

Miss Lee Salomon, who three weeks ago was held up at the mouth of an alley and forced to follow a negro into the darkness, states positively that the prisoner is her assailant, and other witnesses corroborate her statements. On the more serious charge, Chavis will be heard again in the lower court March 19.

Chavis was arrested while attempting to escape from a house in Seventeenth Street, but was not taken until he had attempted to cut a policeman with a razor. He wore a false mustache made of a preparation, of which the police secured a bottle. The alleged facts in the case are that Miss Salomon was passing an alley, when the negro rushed upon her with a drawn revolver and grasped her by the hand.

She was threatened with death if she uttered a scream; but nevertheless she shrieked, and several citizens arrived in time to prevent a tragedy. The young girl did not appear in Police Court yesterday. According to the police, Chavis answered the description of a man who has been guilty of several similar crimes in the East End, and every effort will be made to connect him with them.

## WILL SEARCH BAKER'S ROOM.

Deputy Marshal Murphy learned yesterday that Louis Lowenstein, the German baker, held here awaiting requisition papers before he can be taken back to Germany, formerly lived at 1807 East Main Street, and it is said that he has a supply of personal properties in the rooms. No search will be made until the consent of the German consul is secured. It is alleged that \$25,000 and shipped from his native country.

## BOUND ISSUE FOR SEWERS.

A meeting will be held to-night of the subcommittee from the Committee on Sewers, consisting of Councilmen Lynch and Alderman Gilman, to whom was referred the question of issuing bonds for sewers and water mains. The committee will have ready for presentation an elaborate report showing all the streets in the city, and the relative of the sewer connections, and which do not receive city water. It is generally conceded that a large bond issue will be recommended.

## NO RELATIVES TO CLAIM HIS BODY

Unknown Boy Killed by Train Jumped When He First Saw Officer.

Efforts yesterday afternoon and last night to locate the relatives of Alexander Krause, whose home is believed to have been in Philadelphia, and who was killed Wednesday afternoon near the New Pump-House, proved futile. Krause is said to have been one of three tramps aboard a freight train. When the sight of an officer, attempting to alight, Krause fell under one of the cars and his head was cut from his body. The remains were not discovered until yesterday morning.

The police of Philadelphia have been asked to locate the relatives of the man, but have made no reply. Krause's friends told all they knew of him after they were found in this city yesterday. Coroner Taylor will not hold an inquest, as the dead was not due to accident. Undertaker Bliley will hold the body for several days for identification. Krause, from his clothing, appears to have been well dressed, and his companions say he was not more than eighteen years old.

## ALLEGED VAGRANT ARRESTED.

A. L. Mitchell and Hermann Franklin were arrested last night as vagrants. Neither was drunk, and it is probable that they will be sent South when called before the police to-day. There is no complaint against the men except that they are without money and have made no effort to secure positions.

## STRUCK IN SELF-DEFENSE.

Alexander Pappalardi will answer in the Police Court to-day for having struck Bernard Ferguson (colored) with a iron shoe last. The negro was not seriously hurt, and the foreign claims to have struck the blow in self-defense.

## COSTLY DIAMONDS COST FIVE CENTS

Detectives Unravel Mystery in Ten Minutes and Threaten Owner With Arrest.

Alarmed by a report sent in by telephone from the First District that a stranger, who claims to be from Norfolk, had been robbed Wednesday night of money and jewelry worth more than \$500, the head of the local detective department yesterday afternoon sent out two of his men to fathom the mystery. It took but ten minutes to find the author of the story.

He was taken into custody and accompanied to headquarters. He insisted that he had lost a diamond scarf pin and diamond ring, besides more than \$100 in money. One of the detectives, while the stranger waited in custody of the Chief of Police, went to Fourteenth Street, and from a confectioner secured the alleged diamond pin. The prisoner identified it.

The officers were a bit shrewd, however, and when a jeweler's opinion was asked it was learned that the jewel, pin and all, can be bought for 5 cents. It was when faced with this statement that the prisoner unraveled. "Honest," he said when the officers knew the truth, "I had some money last night; but I think I got drunk and spent it all." There were threats of an arrest, which was never really contemplated, and at this the man, who a moment before claimed to be the victim of a crime, dropped on his knees and begged to be allowed to go home. He left the city a few minutes later.

## IDENTIFIES JEWELRY

Judge Wickham Claims Watches Found in Possession of Negro Arrested Here.

Judge T. Ashby Wickham yesterday identified three watches and other articles of jewelry in the hands of the Detective Department. They were found on the person of Charles Hopkins, alias Joseph Johnson, who was arrested several days ago while attempting to dispose of the goods in a pawnshop.

Hopkins, whom he thoroughly identifies, was employed in his home at Loraine, Henrico county, as a servant in attendance upon his father, who is an invalid.

The articles found in the possession of the negro were valued at more than \$300. A felony warrant was sworn out last night, and the prisoner was taken to Police Court to-day. The allegations in the case are that Hopkins broke into a trunk to secure the articles, and that the Henrico jurist did not know of the robbery until he saw the report in The Times-Dispatch as to the fact that the trunks are kept in a storage room. Evidence against the man is said to be conclusive.

## MAD DOG BITES MINISTER'S SON

Hanover Boy Savagely Attacked in Face by Animal That Came Suddenly to Town.

Unmistakable signs of rabies were found by Dr. E. A. Hoen in the head of a large shaggy dog, which yesterday morning attacked John Southall, son of the Rev. S. O. Southall, of Hanover Courthouse. The child reached this city yesterday and was taken for treatment to the Pasteur department of the Virginia Hospital. Although severely bitten, Dr. Hoen has no doubt but that the patient will recover.

Dr. Woods Jordan, of Hanover, who accompanied the boy and his father to Richmond, states that the dog created a sensation in the quiet little country town. Early yesterday morning the tramp dog came in, and at 6 o'clock he started about town. Several other dogs and a horse were bitten, and shortly after 10 o'clock he attacked the Southall child, who was playing in front of his father's home.

The dog was killed five minutes after he bit young Southall, and in less than half an hour Dr. Jordan was with the sufferer. As he had been a student at the Medical College of Virginia, he at once realized that delay was dangerous, and advised the father to bring the son here on the first train. Dr. Hoen's diagnosis showed that the poison had not spread, and his statement after a preliminary examination was that, unless there are untoward developments, the boy will recover. Mr. Southall is an Episcopal clergyman, and has frequently occupied pulpits in this city.

## INSPECT BLUES AT DOOR OF CITY HALL

Company A Makes Fine Showing, the Men Handling Guns and Drilling Like Regulars.

## LACKING IN EQUIPMENT

Blankets and Shelter Tents Destroyed in Fire at Hartford Have Not Been Replaced.

Under the rather dim light of the gas lamps at the Capitol Street entrance to the City Hall, Company A, Richmond Light Infantry Blues, and the officers, commissioned and non-commissioned, and the band of the Blues' Battalion, were subjected to the annual government inspection last night by Major John Mallory, of the Twelfth Infantry, United States Army. Nearly 300 people, including many women, witnessed the inspection, and frequently applauded the soldiers.

So far as personal appearance and efficiency in drilling was concerned, Company A made a far better showing than any Richmond company of infantry that Major Mallory has yet inspected. The kaki uniforms and campaign hats were in fine condition, and the men presented a soldierly appearance.

The company is sadly lacking in equipment, the men being without any blankets or shelter tents, and many of them having no knives, forks, spoons, plates, or cups. These articles were destroyed by fire while the Blues were visiting in Hartford, Conn., last December. A government inspection has not yet supplied them with new equipment.

Preceded by the battalion band of twenty-seven pieces, Company A, with fifty-two men and three officers in line, marched from the temporary headquarters on Main Street, near Twelfth, to Capitol Street.

The officers of the battalion were first inspected. They were: Major E. W. Bowles, the battalion commander; Captain Fuller, surgeon of the battalion; Lieutenant Joseph LeMassurier, adjutant of the battalion; Lieutenant Thomas R. Glazebrook, quartermaster of the battalion; Sergeant-Major W. M. Grubbs, Hospital Steward Charles E. Bowles, Quartermaster-Sergeant C. Boisseau, Color-Sergeant W. E. Braxaile, and Color-Sergeant Bruce Banks.

Band Lacking in Equipment. The band was next drawn up for inspection. It has just been reorganized, and not more than half of the men have been supplied with uniforms, and none of them has either belts or revolvers. Requisitions for these things have been made, and they will be supplied as soon as a plan is adopted for the purchase of the instruments.

Major Mallory seemed to be very much surprised, and he questioned the musicians about the cost of the various pieces. When the inspection was over the band marched down Capitol Street to Ninth Street and played a number of selections while Company A was being inspected.

During the examination of the battalion officers and the band, Company A was "at rest" a block away. At the order from Major Mallory, the company marched to the front of the Capitol Street entrance of the City Hall. As the company came to a halt in a double line and the fifty-two guns hit the pavement as one, the assembled crowd broke into applause.

The inspection of the uniforms and guns required but a brief time. Captain Wallace, of Company C, First Virginia Regiment, accompanied Major Mallory on the inspection and made notes of the equipment needed. He examined the haversacks and their contents.

Handle Guns Like Veterans. With this part of the examination over, the company was put through drill tactics at the request of Major Mallory. It was in this work that the soldiers showed up to best advantage.

They handled their guns like veterans, and were vigorously applauded by the spectators. The men were then put through marching drills, ending with a skirmish line formation. The soldiers moved like well-regulated machines throughout these drills, and Major Bowles and the other officers of the battalion, as well as Captain McDowell, commanding the company, were highly pleased with the showing of the men. Major Mallory also seemed to be deeply impressed with the efficiency with which the men went through the drill.

The inspection of the Richmond volunteer soldiers will end to-night, when Major Mallory will examine Companies B and C, of the Blues. This inspection also will be held on Capitol Street, at City Hall.

The inspections are held in the open because the Blues have no armory, and the temporary headquarters are not large enough to permit of any drilling.

## POLICE COURT CASES

Men Charged With Stealing Trunk to Be Tried on March 19.

W. E. Smith and James Walton were fined \$10 each in the Police Court yesterday morning for reckless driving. In addition they were required to furnish \$100 security for their good behavior for twenty days.

Edgar Higgins was fined \$2 for shooting a gravelshooter in the street. Clarence Johnson, charged with stealing a \$2 pair of shoes from B. W. Shoemaker, will be heard on March 20, as the evidence against him yesterday was not complete.

Dr. Hoen and John Ferguson, against whom a Mrs. Jones swore out a warrant, charging the theft of a trunk, containing wearing apparel worth more than \$250, must remain in jail until March 19. A detective is investigating.

## INSURANCE BUREAU SECURES CONVICTION OF INCENDIARIES

State Insurance Commissioner Button has returned from Lynchburg, where he attended the trial of J. D. Greay and C. A. Dowdy, charged with the incendiarism of the burning of the buildings in which they conducted a store. The case against the men was worked up by the Insurance Department.

Sold Whiskey on Sunday. G. W. Evans was convicted in the Police Court yesterday morning of selling whiskey on Sunday last. He was fined \$100 and sentenced to sixty days in jail. An appeal was taken, and the prisoner was liberated in the sum of \$500. A. W. Johns was surety.

Fined for Disorder. Philip Hickman (colored) and W. J. Winfield were both convicted in the Police Court yesterday of disorderly conduct on a street car. The fine in each case was \$10 and security for \$100 for thirty days was required.

## MAY BRING THEM UNDER ONE HEAD

Chamber Names Committee to Discuss Consolidation With Other Organizations.

## NO DEFINITE PLAN ARRANGED

Directors Believe That Tariff on Lumber Should Be Retained to Protect South.

With the idea of increasing their efficiency in the matter of advancing the welfare of the city, the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce at a meeting yesterday appointed a committee to consider the advisability of consolidating the business and commercial organizations under one head. Naturally, the plan, if carried out, means that all will come under the Chamber.

Nothing definite has been decided on, however, the understanding being that the main object of the committee is to confer with the Business Men's Club to see whether or not it will take kindly to the suggestion.

At no other time, perhaps, in the history of Richmond have the various organizations worked together in greater harmony for the common welfare of the business interests. This has been demonstrated, especially in the effort to have City Council grant the proper site for a Weather Bureau, a fight which, it is claimed, is not lost yet. Being the largest, the oldest and the most powerful, the Chamber has taken an active part in the discussion of public questions, the other organizations being right behind it in the effort to uplift.

## Tariff on Lumber.

The board of directors also considered yesterday the report of the Inland Trades Committee with reference to the tariff on lumber. It was argued that most of the business organizations of the country had already passed resolutions asking that the tax of \$2 per 1,000 feet be retained for the reason that without it it would be easy for Canadian dealers to import lumber into the New England States at a cheaper rate than it could be furnished from the Southern States. The resolution provided also that a copy of the action of the body be forwarded to the members of the Ways and Means Committee of Congress and also to the representatives of the State. Several members of the board spoke on the matter, and the resolution was finally passed by a vote of 5 to 5.

The action of the executive committee was approved in its recommendation for the appropriation of \$250 for the use of the advertising committee; \$1,000 for the convention committee; and \$300 to be used to defray the expenses of a smoker to be held at the Jefferson Hotel March 25. At this smoker some prominent speakers will be selected to address the members on matters that vitally concern the operations of the Chamber. Action on the parcels post bill was postponed.

## DRINKING FOUNTAIN

Committee Selects Shackles Slip as Most Desirable Location.

A subcommittee from the Council Committee on Streets, consisting of Councilmen Lynch and Davis, met yesterday afternoon at the office of the City Engineer and decided to recommend that the fountain be located on the corner of the Virginia Warehouse, a spot constantly frequented by teams hauling heavy loads. The fountain will cost \$2,000, and will be a handsome piece of white marble, inscribed "In Memory of One Who Loved Animals." The donor has requested that his name will not be made public.

## Fined for Trespass and Assault.

William Deasaw (colored) was tried before Magistrate Larus yesterday morning. He was fined \$10 and given sixty days in jail for trespass on the property of Douglas Johnston, causing and abusing Johnston and his wife and assaulting Norvel Johnston.

## Marriage Licenses Issued.

Marriage licenses were issued in the clerk's office of the Hustings Court yesterday to Charles F. Wrenn and Jessie P. Rayner, both of Richmond, and to Joseph Mann Elliston, of this city, and Neva Harris, of Camden, N. J.

## TEN DOLLARS

Is the price we have placed on All Men's Spring Suits

carried over from last season which sold up to \$25. \$4.45 buys Boys' Spring Suits which sold up to \$10.

\$2.95 buys the \$5 and \$6 ones.

## Gans-Rady Company

## THE TRIBES GO UP TO VISIT TOM MARTIN

## JURY COULD NOT AGREE ON VERDICT

Man Who Shot Fellow Player in Crap Game, Must Go on Trial Again.

Unable to decide whether to sentence Willie Sidney, alias Bill Bailey, to eighteen years in the penitentiary, or to fix his punishment at death by the electric chair, a jury in the Hustings Court at 8 o'clock last night was discharged, when Foreman White stated that the twelve men could never agree upon a verdict. The case will be tried again on April 12.

Sidney was indicted by the October grand jury for murder in the first degree. His victim, who he shot over a row in a crap game, was Willie Scott. The evidence yesterday, which was all apparently against the prisoner, showed that Sidney a few minutes before he killed Scott, had said that he would shoot him the next time he won the money. He is alleged to have carried out the threat.

Attorneys for the defense relied solely upon a plea of accidental shooting. The case was called at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, and all through the day was given up to the hearing of evidence and the argument. Soon after he shot Scott, Sidney went to Manchester, where he was captured the next morning.

About fifteen negroes were gathered in a front room at 507 North Seventeenth Street, on the night of the shooting, and they were all present when Sidney fired three shots across the table at Scott. Two of the bullets took effect, and the victim died from a hole through his heart. In the excitement Sidney disappeared.

## HE OPENED HER MAIL

Wm. Childress Will Probably Face a Federal Grand Jury for His Offense.

On a warrant sworn out by his sister, Emma Childress, William D. Childress was arrested last night by an officer in the First Police District and charged with the theft of a lot of furniture. Emma says the brother removed all her household goods from the premises. At the station-house the woman alleged that the brother opens her letters and invariably tries to benefit himself from the contents. This is a Federal offense, and Childress will probably be turned over to the government authorities unless he is punished by the police. In the event he is found guilty of stealing he will, after he pays the penalty of the minor charge, appear before the United States court.

## To Extend Charity Work.

At the monthly meeting of the Associated Charities yesterday afternoon Dr. James Buchanan, secretary, was instructed to present a report to the board of the work since the end of the fiscal year, four months ago. Dr. Buchanan presents monthly statements of his work, and customarily summarizes expenditures every quarter. It is said that the organization is preparing to extend its work, not so much in the matter of helping those who will not help themselves, but more for the benefit of children and old people. The work has prospered, and the report is expected to show encouraging results.

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The selection of the leathers for each part of the shoe, and every detail of the making in every department, is looked after by the best shoemakers in the shoe industry. If I could show you how carefully W. L. Douglas shoes are made, you would understand why they hold their shape, fit better and wear longer than any other make.

My Secret Process of Tanning the Bottom Soles produces More Flexible and Longer Wearing Leather than any other Tanning.

W. L. DOUGLAS SHOE STORE IN RICHMOND, 623 East Broad Street

State-Widers and Wets Call to Pay Their Respects, but Politics Not Talked, He Says.

## BOTH FACTIONS SEE HIM

Cannon, Kelly, Saunders, Lessner, Button, Mann, et al., Among Those Who Saw Him.

Although he came here to appear as counsel in a case before the Federal court, United States Senator Thomas Staples Martin has had little time for recreation during the past two days. When he was not busy shaking hands with those who are active in the Anti-Saloon League and who advocate State-wide prohibition "as the ultimate hope," or chatting pleasantly with others who will be put out of business if that law is enacted, he was answering reporters with the statement that these friends just happened in to see him and that there was no political significance in his visit. Incidentally, Senator Martin dropped in at Judge Mann's headquarters.

But the reports about the visits of the State-widers and the wets had gained such wholesale circulation that the talk was not quelled by Senator Martin's strong denial of political significance. It was common rumor in the street that he had been holding conferences with leaders of the Anti-Saloon League and with leaders of the Retail Liquor Dealers' Association in the interest of Judge Mann's candidacy.

## Not Here for Politics.

"My visit here," said Senator Martin, "is purely and solely on law business and has not the smallest political significance. It is true that I have visited Judge Mann's headquarters and that I have seen a number of politicians, as I always do when in Richmond, but these visits have been purely personal, as though it were a time when no political questions were being agitated."

It was pointed out to Senator Martin that State Senator John Lessner, of Norfolk county, who is said to be closely affiliated with the liquor interests of the State, was in the city, and that he had called on Senator Martin. He said that Senator Lessner had called the same as his other friends, but had not broached any of the pertinent political questions of the day.

Cannon, Kelly and Saunders. The call of the Rev. James Cannon, Jr., Wednesday night, he said, had to do with certain questions of a personal nature that had no relation with the political situation. He also denied that there was any political object in the visit to him yesterday of Samuel L. Kelly, who is connected with the Liquor Dealers' Association. As to the reported conference of the "wets" people last night, he said that he had not been invited to attend, nor did he even know that such a conference was to have been held.

Among the other visitors to Senator Martin's rooms last night were Inland Trades Committee member Joseph Marling and Clyde W. Saunders. Senator Martin reiterated that he had come to the city to try a case in the United States court, and that he would return to Washington as soon as possible.

## ONE JOINT BANQUET

Hibernians Prepare for Big Celebration on St. Patrick's Day.

Divisions Nos. 1 and 2, of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, with their auxiliaries, held a joint meeting last night to make further arrangements for the celebration of St. Patrick's Day. It was decided to celebrate the day with the usual banquets and a banquet at the Masonic Temple. A committee was named to select a speaker for the occasion. The meeting was an enthusiastic one, and the members of the organization expect that this year's occasion will eclipse all others.

After some discussion the members of the order decided to have a joint banquet at the Masonic Temple instead of two, as heretofore. This will insure a larger attendance and a more elaborate celebration. Last spring, as in previous years, one banquet was held at the Hotel and the other at the Sacred Heart Hall.

None of the details was completed at the meeting last night. The divisions, however, will complete the arrangements at a meeting to be held Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. It is expected that the committee will report then on the speaker selected for the occasion, and that the full program will be made public.

## Smith Still in Jail.

Contrary to reports, James Smith (colored), who will die on April 8 for the murder of John Smith, is still in jail. He was taken from the county jail to the penitentiary yesterday. Clerk Wallkill prepared the papers yesterday morning and forwarded them to Judge R. Carter Scott, who must sign them before Smith is delivered to the penitentiary authorities. He will probably be turned over to the State officers within the next few days.

## Railroad Men Banquet.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Order of Railway Conductors gave a banquet to their husbands at the Richmond Hotel last night, a large number of railroad men being present. Mrs. F. K. Brooks, president of the auxiliary, presided, assisted by Mrs. J. M. Thompson, Mrs. J. A. Southworth, Mrs. O. A. Spear, Mrs. J. E. Willetford and Mrs. A. S. Williams, as a committee of arrangements.

## Hinds and Southall Acquitted.

Andersen Hinds and George Southall (colored) were tried before Magistrate Smith at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, charged with the theft of a gun from Wilbert Smith. After hearing the evidence the magistrate decided that there was no case against them, and the prisoners were discharged, the costs being placed upon the plaintiff.